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51 YEARS OLD

AROUND the TOWNSHIP

Big time over at Solon Bros. Service Station and Tavern tomorrow night. "Leon and Cy" say everybody is invited. And, they've really got something there.

And, still it rains. Harvey Braun is doing a good job by the farmers. On Thursday he found a total of 11.52 inches had dripped into his gauge from the continuous precipitation of the last few days, coupled with the scattered falls since the start of the season last July 1. This is 3.62 inches behind the total of 15.14 inches for the same date last year. Not bad, at all.

Those who missed seeing the acres of daffodils in bloom between Decoto and Niles this week missed a sight of rare beauty, particularly on Wednesday morning when the hills back of the Masonic Home, the ridges of Niles Canyon and the slopes of Mission Peak were snow-covered. Two acres of golden blossoms were to be found on the Tony Reina ranch near the Bell Ranch bridge and in other sections of the township.

Hat salesmen had better go call on Frank Dusterberry at Centerville. If his head doesn't outgrow the current chapeau after Tuesday night's eulogy of 25 or 30 friends who surprised him on his "23rd" birthday, he's a miracle of physiology and psychology. To the contrary, however, one of the toasts read:

"How in the world can a fellow be poetic about a man who is so energetic, who is honored in this and honored in that, with never a change in the size of his hat!"

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Beloved Matron Of Community Follows Husband In Death

NILES—Final rites for "Mother Hatch", beloved resident of this community for the past 26 years, were said Tuesday morning at the Berge Mortuary Company parlors at Niles. Interment was at Mountain View cemetery in Oakland.

Services were conducted by Rev. R. C. Day, pastor of the Niles Congregational Church of which the deceased was a member.

Ella Hatch passed away at her home last Saturday morning following a brief illness. She followed in death her husband, the late Adrian A. Hatch, who died a few weeks ago. They would have celebrated their fifty eighth wedding anniversary on Dec. 28 and Mrs. Hatch would have observed her seventy ninth birthday on Feb. 27.

As chairman of the clothing committee of the Welfare Club and director of the Child Welfare Board, Mrs. Hatch had furnished thousands of garments to the poor of southern Alameda County. For 20 years she had served as president of the Ladies' Guild of the Niles Congregational Church of which she had been a trustee. She was also a director of the Country Club of Washington Township and was formerly a trustee of the Niles Library Board. She is survived by two children, Roger Hatch of Niles and Mrs. Ralph Clapp of Alhambra; two grand children, two great grand children, and three sisters, Mrs. H. C. Hayes and Mrs. Sadie Baker of Berkeley and Mrs. Jennie Kent of Chicago. Mrs. Hatch and her husband, who had been with the Western Union Telegraph Company for 40 years, formerly resided in Berkeley.

Pete Decoto, scoutmaster at Decoto, and veteran of committeemen service pins to Niles scouts as follows: Scoutmaster Lawrence Pine, 12 years; Julius Pine, seven years; George Bonde and William Silva, five years and Weldon Pine, four years. Judge Norris presented Roland Bendel, Sr., a 15 year veterans award.

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VODVILLE AND DANCE PLANNED AT ALVARADO SOON

ALVARADO — A vodville and dance will be given under the joint auspices of the Parent Teachers Association and the WPA recreational directors at the Alvarado Grammar School on March 24.

At last Thursday's meeting of the P. T. A. the following were appointed to represent the unit in arrangements for the program: Mrs. Joe Lewis, Mrs. Lloyd Russel and Miss Isabelle Ferry.

The nominating committee, consisting of Miss Susie Davis, Mrs. Mary Amaral and Mrs. Mike Gardetto will report at the March meeting, election to take place in April.

The Alvarado unit will celebrate Founders Day on Feb. 28. Miss Isabelle Ferry is chairman.

Anniversary Of Scouting Observed At Court Of Honor

NILES—The Niles troop of Boy Scouts swept the boards at the district court of honor held Wednesday night. A total of 86 awards were made to members of the Niles troop and committee men.

The court opened before a packed house at the Niles Grammar School with Judge Allen G. Norris and George Coit in charge. The radio program of rededication in the nationwide observance of the 29th anniversary of scouting was followed with an investiture service conducted by the Niles troop and the court of honor when awards were made to scouts and numerous mothers.

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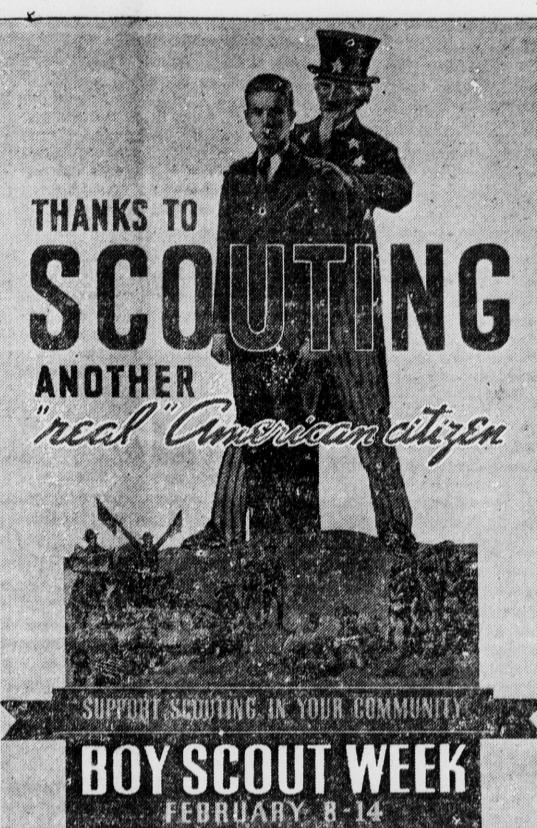
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All America Marks 29th Boy Scout Anniversary



THIS poster, showing how "Scouting Carries On American Ideals", theme of Boy Scout Week from Feb. 8 to 14, marks the 29th anniversary of the incorporation of the Boy Scouts of America. 39,750 Boy Scout Troops, Cub Packs and Sea Scout Ships now include 1,233,950 boys and men, a membership gain of better than 13% in the past year. Since the beginning of Scouting in America 8,400,000 boys and men have been identified with the Movement.

Leaders Train For New Scout Troop For Warm Springs

WARM SPRINGS — Formation of a Boy Scout troop for Warm Springs was decided upon at a meeting held at the grammar school Monday night. Principal L. H. Maffey will be scoutmaster and the scout committee will be chosen from the 14 men who have attended preliminary meetings.

A training school for the leaders will be started on Feb. 17, at the grammar school. Those who will attend will be Vern Gordon, Ted Silveria, Earl Wirz, Ed Sarmento, Frank Gomes, Jess Silva, Joe Maciel, Joseph Brown, Tony Brown, Manuel Terry, Manuel Ramos, Alfred Perry, John Souza, Jr., and L. H. Maffey.

The classes will be conducted by W. T. Lindsay, field executive, and other representatives of the Oakland Area Council. It is estimated that between 15 and 20 boys are eligible for membership in the patrol.

AUTO COLLISION BRINGS INJURIES TO HALF DOZEN PERSONS

WARM SPRINGS—Six persons were injured in a head-on collision near Warm Springs this week. Drivers were Vincent Budash, 47, of 4051 Laurel ave., Oakland and Paul A. Brookfield, 21, of 1462 6th ave., Oakland.

Both were injured but more seriously were Mrs. Burdash who suffered a broken leg. Mrs. Brookfield who sustained two broken legs, concussion and possible internal injuries. With Burdash was Carl Werner, 28, of 910 O st., Newark.

Sacramento who had a broken arm and A. M. Brookfield, 46, father of Paul, who had head injuries.

Burdash is said to have told officers a car in front of him stopped suddenly and he swerved to avoid a collision, crashing head on into the Brookfield car. Both automobiles were badly damaged.

COMING EVENTS

Feb. 14—Newark Sportsmen's Club elects officers.
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Feb. 14—Founders' Day, Niles P. T. A. 8 p. m.
Feb. 16-17—High School Vodville.
Feb. 16—Brides Night at Y. L. I.; Odd Fellows Hall.
Feb. 16—P. T. A. Council, Pleasanton.
Feb. 18—Newark Firemen's Auxiliary Valentine dance, Swiss Hall.
Feb. 18—Ladies night of Irvington J. C.'s.
Feb. 28—Founders' Day, Alvarado P. T. A.
Feb. 27—Boat tea at Mrs. J. C. Shinn's. Public invited.
Feb. 29—Joint meeting of Presbyterian churches, Centerville, 7:30.
Mar. 2—Night meeting, Irvington P. T. A.
Mar. 24—Vodville, dance, Alvarado P. T. A.

MORE CHILDREN USE LIBRARY THIS YEAR THAN LAST

IRVINGTON — Increase of juvenile visitors at the Irvington branch of the Alameda County Public Library has more than doubled the attendance at the Irvington reading room as compared to January of 1938, according to a report by Miss Elizabeth A. Lowrie, librarian.

This is due somewhat, Miss Lowrie says, to the fact that the building program at the grammar school has somewhat discommode the library there.

In Jan. 1938 there were 81 juveniles loaned by the library and last month there were 131. The total attendance for Jan. 1938 was 315 and for last month, 670. Fiction read in Jan. 1938, however, was 328 and last month, only 275.

Township Does Its Share In Fight On Infantile Paralysis

NILES — Washington Township once more went over the top in a demonstration of community cooperation in the March of Dimes for combatting infantile paralysis.

Letters sent out to committees by Principal A. J. Rathbone and Postmaster Edward Enos, district chairmen, show a total of \$304.47 contributed from the township. The real total is larger as several contributions from some of the larger industries were sent into Washington headquarters direct and were not counted in the above figure.

The Alvarado Grammar School ranked first in the collection of dimes, turning in a total of \$30.30. The high school collected \$59.60 and Mrs. George Holzman, chairman of the president's ball committee, turned in \$33.

Other amounts reported by the two chairmen were Alviso Grammar School, \$10.40; Centerville Grammar School, \$10; Centerville Post Office, \$6; Irvington Grammar School, \$12.68; Newark organizations, \$4.65; Newark Grammar School, \$12.72; Niles Grammar School, \$15; Decoto, Mission San Jose and Warm Springs total, \$125.12.

Background for the Coming Crisis: France vs. Italy in Mediterranean

Rebel Victory in Spain Leaves II Duce Free To Press Demands

By JOSEPH W. LABINE

As the first month of 1939 drew to a painful close all Europe sat watching bombs burst over Spain. Barcelona, the Loyalist capital, fell by inches before Rebel troops who claimed to be Spaniards but came largely from Italy and Germany. One of the closest observers of this holocaust was Edouard Daladier, premier of France.

For M. Daladier knew that once Barcelona fell, Italy's hands would be freed from their Spanish obligation. Then Benito Mussolini would be ready to press the program of expansion which he hopes will make Italy the dominant nation of the Mediterranean.

France would be the chief victim of this expansion because French and Italian interests clash at several key points in northern Africa. Each wishes to rule the Mediterranean. France because she has done so for 20 years, and Italy because her Fascist government believes this is Italy's "destiny."

What of the Future?

Moot questions are therefore pushed to the front as Spain's civil war draws near its inevitable Rebel victory. Will the romantic Mediterranean be Europe's next battleground? Will France and Italy come to blows over proprietorship of Tunisia, Corsica, Nice and Savoy? Will their conflict over Suez canal proprietorship and the Addis Ababa-Djibouti railroad draw Great Britain into the battle?

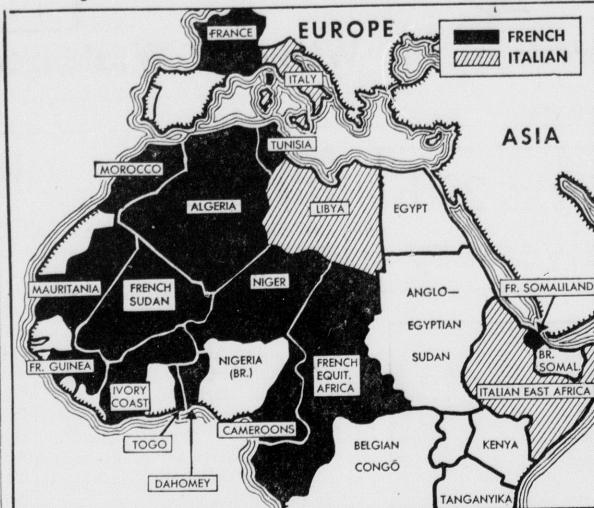
The background for this crisis-to-come dates to 1915. That year, in the treaty of London, England and France won Italy's aid against the central powers by promising to split Germany's African colonies should the Allies win.

That Italy once had a grievance is the opinion of most European observers. At Versailles the treaty of London was completely overlooked. Not until 1924 did Great Britain get around to ceding Italy the unimportant territory of Jubaland, and that under protest. Stubborn France held out until 1935 when Premier Pierre Laval agreed to give Italy a worthless strip of desert south of Libya, another between French Somaliland and Italian Eritrea, and the island of Doumeirah.

Treaty Never Ratified.

The Mussolini-Laval treaty had few merits and even less honor. It was never ratified and therefore the ceded territories have never been turned over to Italy.

Since 1936 Italy has been busy consolidating her Mediterranean gains and fighting the Spanish civil war. If the past two years have nurtured imperialistic aims in the



THE MEDITERRANEAN—Map showing how France and Italy now dominate north African lands, also how Italy, by gaining control of Tunisia, could easily shut off commerce through the sea by a blockade.

Fascist breast they went unspoken because Mussolini knew he was too weak to fight.

But last year's German-Czech crisis changed that. One of its most outstanding results was the shift of European domination from France and Britain to Italy and Germany, resulting in a subsequent parade of Franco-British "appeasement" offers. Today Mussolini is in a position



M. FRANCOIS-APONCET—France's new ambassador to Italy, the first since Mussolini invaded Ethiopia, who was greeted in the Rome chamber of deputies by demands for French territorial concessions. He listened quietly, then left.

to dictate the outcome of the Spanish war. Moreover he can afford to stick out his neck on territorial demands against France, knowing powerful Germany stands behind him.

Dictators Must Drive.

This is not only Mussolini's privilege, but his duty as well. For almost two years the Italians have

watched enviously while daring Adolf Hitler plucked territorial plums at the other end of the Rome-Berlin axis. Mussolini has always given the Reichsführer his moral support but in return Italy has received nothing. If Mussolini wishes to retain his dictatorship he must soon begin asserting himself for new colonies.

Germany is willing that this should happen. It would be advantageous for Hitler to have world attention focused on a Mediterranean conflict during the next few years while he proceeds quietly to carve a Nazi-dominated republic out of the vast southeastern Ukraine. Meanwhile Berlin could conveniently send Nazi "volunteers" to aid Italy without risking official involvement.

Italy's campaign thus far has been very crude. It began last November 30, an especially bleak day when France was quaking in fear of a complete labor strike and when Premier Daladier was clawing tooth and nail to stay in power after France began feeling the disastrous backwash of the Czech crisis.

For the first time since 1936 a French ambassador was in Rome, Andre Francois-Poncet having been shifted from Germany to Italy after Paris belatedly recognized Mussolini's Italian conquest.

Tunisia! Nice! Corsica!

M. Francois-Poncet celebrated his arrival by attending a session of the Italian chamber of deputies where Foreign Minister Count Galeazzo Ciano (Mussolini's son-in-law) was to make a speech. Hardly had his address started before two deputies jumped to their feet and began yelling "Tunisia! Tunisia!" From the galleries came cries, too, not only for "Tunisia!" but also for "Corsica! Nice! Savoy!"

Though he sat quietly through the demonstration, M. Francois-Poncet lost no time demanding an explanation. Italian officialdom disowned all responsibility but the controlled Fascist press picked up the echo from the chamber of deputies and has been amplifying it ever since under direction of Propagandist Virginio Gaido.

There have been daily threats; there have been insults, such as that in the Rome newspaper, *Il Tevere*, which pictured 40,000,000 Italians "spitting" on France while "the Third Republic (France) is patiently wiping her face with newspapers." There have been well substantiated reports of Italian tank concentrations on the west frontier of French Somaliland.

The net result has been to defeat Italy's purpose. France, only a few months ago torn by strikes and ready to oust Premier Daladier, is today better united than at any time in the past five years. Desperately proud, the French now dislike to discuss the settlement proposals Paris first made last summer, because such discussions would leave the impression that France yielded to force.

France May Yield.

These proposals, incidentally, are substantially what many observers think Italy is hinting for today in her undiplomatic fashion. They include Italian participation in administration of the Suez canal, Italian control of the railroad leading from Italy's Addis Ababa to France's Djibouti on the Red sea, and more privileges for Italian residents of Tunisia.

But if Mussolini presses his advantage after Barcelona, and if Germany wins not only the Ukraine but her African colonies lost during the World War, the Mediterranean will almost positively be the scene of Europe's next fireworks. Britain would be drawn in because she could not afford to have her "lifeline" broken by Italian capture of Tunisia. This would enable Mussolini to throw a blockade from Tunisia to Pantelleria island to Sicily, completely controlling traffic from Gibraltar to the Suez canal.

The name, Valentine, comes from a religious of the Third century who reconciled lovers by his interest in their lives. Because of this interest, and because his life ended in martyrdom, he became the patron saint of lovers.



The sentimental valentine, heavy with lavender and old lace, which grew from an early custom.

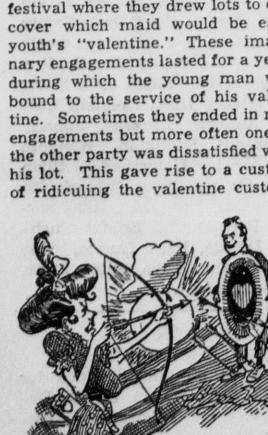
ably expressed by the satirist, Alexander Pope:

"You struttin' cockatoo of man
You are my Valentine, I know.
And for a year I'll have to see
Your face and form wher'er I go.
But get this through your leather
pate—
A year is all you'll get of me,
For after that you'll get the gate
And never mair my face shall
see."

In later years St. Valentine's day has developed into a time for exchanging gifts, though the comic valentine has retained most of the favor it enjoyed 30 or 40 years ago. In those days nobody in the community was immune from receiving one of these anonymous shafts of criticism except members of clergy.

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A comic valentine, first popularized late last century.

Modern Berlin Retains Unique Native Habits

Prepared by National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.—WNU Service.

Berlin is without the slums found in many large cities of the world, far less venerable.

Many unit dwelling houses on narrow streets have been torn down. In their place stand settlements—groups of apartments offering decent, moderately priced quarters for workers' families. Nearly 3,000 have been constructed. Some have small gardens attached.

In addition to the city-developed settlements are some huge ones sponsored by industrial enterprises. The outstanding example is that of the Siemens company, that colossal producer of electrical machinery, which was established in 1847. Its Berlin plants employ more than 120,000 workers. Siemens Stadts has grown up around the works, forming an integral part of Berlin. There are model apartments, schools, hospitals, churches, playgrounds, and theaters.

The Allgemeine Elektricitäts-Gesellschaft, the General Electric company of Germany, has likewise gone far in developing proper housing for its 47,000 Berlin employees.

The task of aiding the needy is being largely handled by the winter aid campaign. There are in the whole of Germany one and a quarter million voluntary workers contributing their services, which has kept administrative costs of the organization down to 1 per cent of the total sum handled.

Principal among the methods of raising money are lotteries, the sale of badges and little handmade ornaments of negligible cost, and the one-dish meal once a month in private houses, restaurants and hotels.

Away from the City

"Where on earth are all the people?" you find yourself asking as you walk through the deserted streets on a fine Sunday afternoon. Certainly at this same hour the Champs Elysées is thronged with a chattering, strolling mob.

But this is not France. We are in Germany, land of probably the most devoutly nature-loving people of the Northern Hemisphere. The Berliner, with his sisters and his cousins and his aunts—and grandfather and grandmother thrown in—has joined in a daybreak exodus to woods and lakes.

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NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Reviewed by CARTER FIELD

No chance for Joseph P. Kennedy to succeed Henry Morgenthau Jr., as secretary of the treasury . . . Mr. Kennedy, it seems, is all washed up . . . Big insurance companies next concern to be investigated . . . Vermont governor stirs up New Deal over flood control.

WASHINGTON.—Joseph P. Kennedy will not be secretary of the Treasury while Franklin D. Roosevelt is President. This will remain

true whether Henry Morgenthau Jr. retires or not. In the language of the ward politicians, Kennedy is washed up so far as this administration is concerned. Morgenthau is just as strong as at any time in the last few years. If he retires at all it will be of his own volition.

The driving force behind the move to get Morgenthau out of the treasury does not come from the White House. It comes from Henry Morgenthau Sr., father of the secretary. The elder Morgenthau thinks Henry has given enough of his time to the government. He is proud of his son.

Although the secretary of the treasury has never made any public statements which seemed to disapprove of any New Deal policies, always was extremely loyal to the President, and carried out White House orders to the utmost of his ability, nevertheless he has stood out as one of the sound apples in the New Deal barrel. As one or two New Deal critics have put it, he has seemed to be same man entirely surrounded by crackpots.

In most of the battles waged inside the New Deal on spending, pump priming, relief, taxation and harassing of business, Morgenthau has always been on the conservative side fighting as long as there was a chance, but loyally obeying the decision, once F.D.R. made it.

On Side of Orthodoxy in Fights on Fiscal Affairs

Most important of all, the news of these encounters, these fights of Morgenthau on the side of orthodoxy in fiscal affairs—as for example budget balancing—never came from Morgenthau. It is very probable that Morgenthau's battles inside the New Deal would never have become known had it not been for his opponents in these battles, who fed the stories out to sympathetic newspaper men while they were still hot with indignation against Morgenthau's stubborn arguments in favor of the old-fashioned thrift theory of economics.

Incidentally, Morgenthau has been almost a lone wolf. Even some of those who agreed with his economics, for example Jesse H. Jones of the Reconstruction Finance corporation, have not liked him overmuch.

But through it all Morgenthau has remained the close friend of the President. Mrs. Morgenthau has been the close friend of Mrs. Roosevelt, and of their loyalty and devotion there is no question whatever.

Joe Kennedy, curiously enough, has not seemed to realize in what a whispering gallery he was living. This is strange, for he was obliged to listen to volumes of advice about the dangers of what he might say while the State department was giving him the college course in diplomacy to which it subjects all political appointees in the diplomatic service before permitting them to sail for foreign capitals.

Kennedy, it is very reliably reported, has made some very pointed remarks about the New Deal to certain American friends. And these, with extraordinary promptness, have been repeated to F.D.R. by gentlemen who would be pleased to have Kennedy's foot slip.

Big Insurance Companies Soon to Be Investigated

Very shortly the monopoly investigating committee will turn its attention to the big insurance companies. Ever since there has been a New Deal there has been an eagerness on the part of the left wingers to get after these huge financial institutions.

The two things that will be gone into very thoroughly, according to the frank statements of those interested, will be the investment policy of the managements of these companies, and the loans that the companies make on policies. A bitter battle is expected here, for the insurance companies have a good deal of the pride of authorship or achievement, so to speak, in their investments, and they feel very strongly against liberalizing their policy loan system.

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J. P. Kennedy

loans. There are two major considerations. One is to make the loans easy to obtain. That is for the policy holder's benefit and to make the holding of policies an advantage. But the other is to make the interest rate high, so that the borrower will have an incentive to pay off the loan, thereby clearing his policy, and thus maintain the maximum of insurance protection, which of course is the main object of the policy, and the main business of the company.

New Dealers do not like the high rate, because one of the objectives of New Deal economics is to put interest rates down. This policy has already hurt the insurance companies enormously. It has reduced the interest rate on bonds which formerly paid much greater sums into the insurance company treasures. As a natural result, this has reduced very heavily the dividends paid to policy holders, or credited on their policies in the form of additional insurance.

Terrific Falling Off of Investment in Utilities

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Aiken Stirs Bitterness Inside New Deal Circles

There is more bitterness inside New Deal circles over the stand taken by Gov. George D. Aiken of Vermont on the flood control and power situation than is generally realized. The real tip-off of the feeling is revealed in the outburst on the floor of the house, just after Aiken took his stand, by Rep. John E. Rankin of Mississippi.

Rankin charged that Aiken was making a bid for the Republican presidential nomination, with the backing of the "New England power trust."

Rep. Charles A. Plumley of Vermont defended his governor's attitude, saying that it was a question of whether the federal government had a right to take state property without the state's consent.

Actually neither presented the whole picture, and the White House is not giving it either. Boiled down, New England has a serious food problem. It is bigger than any one state. Headwaters in both New Hampshire and Vermont pour into rivers, particularly the Connecticut, which flood out territory in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Indeed there is plenty of reason for regarding this whole Connecticut valley as one problem, and a federal problem, rather than a problem for the individual states concerned. Actually there would be no dispute about this if it were not for the power angle.

Would Make Connecticut Valley Miniature T. V. A.

But the New Deal would like to make a miniature TVA of the Connecticut valley. Whether it goes far or not, it is determined to control the power situation involved in any dam construction for the purpose of flood relief. The purposes of the administration are perfectly simple. It wants to handle that power. It wants to fix rates somewhat comparable to TVA rates.

It is not surprising that the White House and public power advocates do not understand this situation. On the surface it would seem as if most of the New Englanders, and particularly the Vermont consumers, would be as eager for cheaper electric rates as the people of the Tennessee valley towns. But for some reason there is very little evidence of this, despite the allegation that the electric rates in Vermont are much higher than those charged by the private companies in the Tennessee valley prior to TVA.

But an extraordinary states' rights feeling has developed in Vermont. They will do their own regulating, they seem to say.

It may be recalled that a while back Governor Aiken was hailed in many quarters as a new type of Republican, a member of a progressive group which was going to lead the G. O. P. out of its reactionary morass. In fact he was frequently mentioned as a presidential possibility.

So the fact that he is attacking the New Deal on the electric power question, which is one of the very first among the many "progressive" issues, is very annoying to the White House, to Sen. George W. Norris, who himself was once regarded as the liberal White Hope of the Republican party; and to John Rankin, leader of the utility baiters in the



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EMERGENCY RELIEF

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"Well, but I couldn't help it. I ran into him as I was coming out of the office—not my office, but the building. He was just coming up, don't you see? And I'd asked him, last time he was in town, to come home to dinner with me the next time he came, and he was expecting to, and what could I do? There wasn't a chance to telephone."

Jimmy Doane was rubbing his face vigorously with a Turkish towel as he explained to his flushed wife why he had landed home with one of his old college friends from Chicago unexpectedly for dinner.

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PRETTY LUNCHEON FEATURES MEETING OF STUDY CLUB

DECOTO—Mrs. Elsa Walker, librarian at the Decoto branch of the Alameda County Public Library, was hostess at luncheon at her home to members of the Study Club Thursday, Feb. 2. Sixteen were present, including Miss Mary Barmby, county librarian, guest speaker.

The house was decorated with acacia and three illustrations for "The Yearling," drawn by Mrs. Ethel Avilla were shown. Tiny animals taken from the book were arranged for place cards by Mrs. Mrs. Joe Cunha, Mrs. Hoyle and Mrs. Mary Janeiro. Each club member also received greetings and the autograph of the author, Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings of Hawthorne, Florida.

Those present included Mrs. Joe Cunha, Miss Cecilia Janeiro, Mrs. Francis Avilla, Mrs. Ethel Avilla, Mrs. Lee Freitas, Mrs. Mary Janeiro, Mrs. Amy Brown, Mrs. Elsa Walker, Miss Barmby, Miss Shirley Preston and Mrs. Walkinson of Albany, Mrs. Woodworth of

Ramona, Mrs. Bonner and Mrs. Buttner of Sunol and Mrs. Jessie F. Taylor, Mrs. Walker's mother, of Saratoga.

The next meeting will be held at the library on March 3, with Mrs. Ethel Avilla as hostess. "The Mortal Storm" by Phyllis Bottome will be discussed.

NILES ARTIST'S PAINTING ATTRACTS

NILES — Ethel Grau's water color, an abstract of Niles, being shown in the San Francisco Museum of Art during this month, was one of the few mentioned as particularly interesting to art critics of metropolitan papers. Her technique and ability at handling colors were commended.

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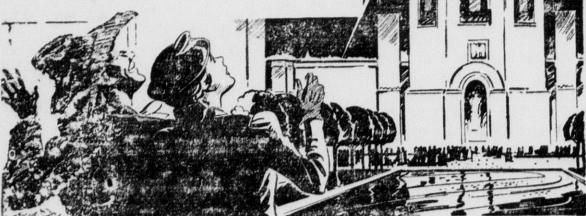
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and that such fictitious names or designations do not show the names of the persons interested as partners in such business.

That the names and addresses of the said copartners, as well as their places of residence, are as follows:

Joe Dutra, residing at 1436 Main Street, Santa Clara, Calif. Manuel Ramos, residing at 1191 Clay Street, Santa Clara, Calif.

That the principal place of business of said business is at No. 100 J Street, in the City of Niles, County of Alameda, State of California.

That the aforesaid copartners are the only persons interested in said business.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto set their hands the 27th day of January, 1939.

Joe Dutra
Manuel Ramos

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA, ss.

On this 27th day of January, 1939, before me, ROBLEY E. MORGAN, a Notary Public in and for the County of Santa Clara, personally appeared JOE DUTRA and MANUEL RAMOS known to me to be the persons described in and who executed the within and annexed instrument and they acknowledge to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at my office in said County of Santa Clara, State of California, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

(Seal) ROBLEY E. MORGAN
NOTARY PUBLIC in and for
the County of Santa Clara, State
of California.

(Feb. 3, 1939. 17. 24')

RESOLUTION NOTICE
Whereas a \$5131.49 grant to the Decoto Elementary School has been received, and

Whereas this sum is in excess of \$1,000.00;

Therefore, since this sum is necessary for expenditures on the reconstruction of the Decoto School Auditorium, and augmentation of maintenance expense funds. Be It Resolved that the County Superintendent of Schools and Auditor of Alameda County be requested to deposit this sum in favor of the 1938-1939 Budget for the Decoto Elementary School.

Dated February 3, 1939.

H. C. Seales President

H. F. Harrold Clerk

H. T. Granger

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WILL ENJOY SNOW SPORTS

A party of Washington Township people will spend the week end enjoying snow sports at Yosemite Valley. Included will be Dr. and Mrs. George Holeman, Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Grau, Miss Nancy McKeown, Miss Marcella Norris, Dr. and Mrs. Clinkenbeard, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Dohrmann, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Goodwin, Dr. and Mrs. Don Manley, Miss Antoinette Holeman. They will leave today and stay at Yosemite Lodge, returning on Monday.

SENIOR PROGRAM AT NOTRE DAME

Miss Antoinette Holeman took part in the Senior program at Notre Dame School for Girls on the Peninsula on Sunday. She was a member of the cast of the annual play, "The Admiral Crichon," and did a dance number. Dr. and Mrs. George Holeman, her parents, were present.

BENEFIT PARTY BIG SUCCESS

Last reports from the benefit whist given for Mr. and Mrs. Claire Bettencourt showed a net profit of \$619.21, according to George Mathiesen, treasurer.

RECOVERS FROM RECENT ILLNESS

Miss Flora McKeown is at home again after convalescing from a recent illness.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS NAMED

Mrs. C. N. Myrick of Niles and Mrs. Walter Ziegler of Alvarado have been appointed to fill the un-

PAST PRESIDENTS' ASSEMBLY

Mrs. Howard Chadbourne, Mrs. Frank T. Dusterberry, Mrs. C. E. Martenstein, Mrs. Roland Bendel and Mrs. E. A. Ellsworth attended the Past Presidents' Assembly of the Federated Women's Clubs last week.

ATTENDS CONVOCATION

Mrs. W. J. Attwood has been attending convocation in San Francisco this week.

ATTENDS CLUB MEETING

Mrs. Frank T. Dusterberry attended a meeting of Federated Club officers in Martinez Tuesday to discuss convention programs.

ENDORSES PARK MOVEMENT

Endorsement of the bill which would make the John Muir Woods a national park was given at a

recent meeting of the Country Club of Washington Township. Mrs. H. M. Kirby, secretary, was instructed to contact the proper authorities at Washington.

IS IMPROVING AFTER FALL

Mrs. Josephine Brown, past president of the Country Club of Washington Township, who suffered a recent fall is reported much improved.

REPORTS ON COUNCIL

Mrs. Loren Marriott reported on a recent meeting of the Coordinating Council at the Country Club meeting Tuesday.

WANTED—Rags to use in the shop at Township Register.

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Newark NewsletteBLUEBIRD CLUB
HOLDS DINNER

The Newark Bluebird Club held a dinner on Tuesday evening at the Castro Villa in Hayward with Mrs. Elsie Mikkelsen in charge of arrangements.

SPORTSMEN HOLD
NOMINATION

Nomination of officers was held at the Newark Sportsmen Club meeting on last Tuesday at Butler's Hotel, with Joe Machado presiding.

to call another meeting on February 20 and will invite all the fire chiefs in the Township.

UNION MEETING
OF PARISH

On February 14 a union meeting of the Washington Township Parish and a pot luck dinner will be held at the Centerville Presbyterian Church. They will be visited by a team of four members of Presbytery, two ministers, two laymen and one laywoman.

PRAYER AND SOCIAL
COMMITTEE MEET

The prayer committee meeting and social committee of the Christian Endeavor Society met at the home of Malcolm Van Ike in Irvington last week. They drew up a list of leaders for the next few months, and made plans for a social affair.

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She Painted Her Face

A story of love and intrigue . . . by DORNFORD YATES

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CHAPTER XI

—22—

I had told Winter to call me at nine o'clock; but, tired as I was, I awoke at a quarter to eight, and after trying in vain to go back to sleep, I presently threw in my hand and began to get up.

My state of mind was uneasy.

I could not reach my lady, because I had given her back the key of her suite. Yet, since I had her chemise, my shirt must be in her bedroom. If she found it, well and good. But if some servant found it . . .

In fact I need not have worried, for about ten minutes to nine a manservant came to my room, bearing a note and a parcel addressed to me.

"From his lordship, sir," he said, and bowed himself out.

With starting eyes, I read the following words:

Mr. Exxon,
I have the honor to return you the shirt which you dropped this morning on leaving my daughter's suite.

Perhaps you will make it convenient to leave the Castle at once.

Brief.

I remember that I stared at the paper as though it belonged to some dream. Then I sat down and put my head in my hands. And then I stood up again, because something had to be done.

As I made for the door, this was opened and Winter came into the room.

"Find Mr. Parish," I said: "and ask him to come here at once."

As it was, I was more than half dressed, and as I got into my jacket, the Englishman entered the room.

"Parish," I said, "how soon can I see her Grace?"

"Perhaps at ten, sir: but certainly not before that."

I glanced at my watch. The time was five minutes past nine.

"Very well, I must see the Count. I don't think he'll want to receive me, but if you can get hold of Bertram, perhaps you can bring it off."

"I'll manage it, sir," said Parish. "Do you wish to see him at once?"

"Immediately."

"Then come with me, sir," he said. "I think I know where he is."

I thrust the note into my pocket and left the room.

The respect with which Parish was treated by the servants of Brief was very nearly as deep as that they were pleased to accord to the Duchess herself, and before two minutes had passed I was ushered unannounced into an elegant library.

As the door closed behind me—

"What does this mean?" said the Count, getting up to his feet.

I answered him slowly enough.

"It means," I said, "that we are to clear the air."

"I'll see about that," said the man, and made straight for the bell.

"I strongly advise you," I said, "not to try to have me removed. If you do, you will force my hand: and so, Lord Ferdinand Virgil, cut your throat."

I saw the shaft go home. My use of his proper title hit him beneath the heart. If more revelations were coming, better that they should come whilst we were alone. For all that, his eyes were burning . . . I was Richard Exxon, and not the Duchess of Whelp.

As a servant answered his summons, he turned on his heel . . .

I watched him curiously.

There was a moment's silence.

Then—

"Your lordship rang?" said the servant.

The other spoke over his shoulder.

"Yes," he said thickly. "Has—has Mr. Percy returned?"

"Not yet, my lord."

"Desire him to come here the moment he enters the house."

"Very good, my lord," said the man, and made himself scarce.

As the door closed behind him—

"I do not think," I said, "that your son is going to come back."

Lord Ferdinand started about.

"My son? Is this blackmail?"

"It's not even bluff," said I, "but listen to me. I say I have reason to think that your son is not coming back. In view of what I told him last night, I think he will find it convenient to disappear."

The man was staring as though he were not of his world.

"Of what you told him? Who are you?"

The question flamed.

"I'm a plain-clothes man," said I, "and I'm working for Scotland Yard."

I watched the blood flow out of the fellow's face . . .

At length he moistened his lips.

"Does the Duchess know this?" he said.

"No," said I. "Nobody knows—except the Austrian police."

I saw his mouth twitch at the word.

"Why—why the Austrian police?"

"Because I could not arrest you, without their leave. It's a question of extradition. You broke your ball in England twenty-two years ago."

"So you say. But—"

"You arranged your flight with your brother. He booked your passage for you and went alone to the station, taking your tickets and money, to see you off. And, when he was gone, you went to Paris, instead. And the police mistook him for you . . . and sent him down twenty-two years ago, and he's done his time: but the charge against you remains, Lord Ferdinand Virgil, and I have been sent from England to . . . clear things up."

His fingers were plucking at his trousers, as those of a dying man will pluck at his sheets.

"What d'you mean—clear things up?"

"I'll tell you plainly," said I. "Because of the mistake that was made, another warrant must issue—as a matter of form. Before that warrant can issue, a further information has to be sworn. I am here to complete that information . . .

"What—of—her—mother's jewels?"

"This," said I. "Your son, Percy Virgil, stole them six weeks ago."

The fellow sat back in his chair, with a hand to his throat.

"You say that he's gone," he said.

"Both he and Elsa have gone. You see, I had instructions to give them their choice. That is sometimes done—if the injured party consents. It tends to avoid a scandal . . . I gave them both until dawn to be clear of Brief. And both have availed themselves of the chance which they had. Personally, I think they were wise; for, as she packed a suitcase whilst I was engaged with your niece, and, when she went, it went with her . . . But that's by the way. In fact, this is all by the way, for I have so far said nothing of the most significant duty I did last

our eyes what your brother said we should see . . . which means that, as I warned you, the information is very nearly complete."

Though I heard no sound, I saw his lips frame the words.

"Very nearly."

"Very nearly, my lord. I have proved all your brother said, except one thing. He declared that if I were to ask you to tell me the secret of Brief, I should ask you in vain. And so . . . I ask you . . . to give me one single detail . . . of what your father revealed to his first-born son."

The man was trembling, and the sweat was out on his face.

"My b-brother," he quavered. "I think, if I could see him . . . I mean, without his statement—the warrant could not issue . . . and could not be—"

"He has made his statement," I said. "I have a copy upstairs."

"But my son is free. Statements were made in his case, but he has gone free. You said that you had i-tractions—"

"If the injured party consents."

"That's what I say," cried the man. "My brother would never subscribe to my — to proceedings against his father's son. I—I know he wouldn't, Exxon. He wouldn't bear malice like that. And then the scandal . . . You said yourself that, rather than have a scandal—"

"Your son has gone," said I. "There can be no scandal there. Percy Elbert Virgil has disappeared."

"I—can—disappear."

He was panting now, and his eyes were half out of his head; yet he did what he could to wreath his face into a smile, as though to do me pleasure and make me his friend.

"I can make no promise," I said, "until I have reported to those who sent me here. The case is too grave. But I'll tell you what I will do. If you will endorse the statement your brother has made, I'll take it to London tonight and recommend my people to let you go. To be honest, I don't think they'll do it, but—"

"How soon will you know?"

"On Friday. And on Sunday I shall be back—with or without the warrant for your arrest. This is upon condition that you endorse the statement to which I refer. Otherwise . . ."

"I am a secretary," she said, "with eight years of experience here and there. I'm not keen about secretarial work, but I'll take any job. I simply have got to work! Yet every place I apply they more or less tell me they want a younger girl. What shall I do?"

"But if I sign . . ."

"I can make no promise," I said. "I'll take the statement to London, and do what I can. You can take it or leave it, my lord. Sign, and I leave for London. Don't sign, and I leave for Gabble—within the hour."

The fellow was biting his fingers, with his eyes on my face. The sign stuck in his gullet, as well it might. And then he threw in his hand . . .

"All right," he said. "Give me the statement . . . And you'll do your best for me, Exxon. I'm—I'm not as young as I was."

"I want my . . . servant," I said . . .

With a shaking hand, Lord Ferdinand wiped his face; and then, still holding the table, he made his way round the oak and took his seat in a chair. When his summons was answered, one hand was shading his eyes and the other was toying with a paper that lay on a blotting-pad.

"I want my dispatch-case, Winner."

(TO BE CONTINUED)



"It Means," I Said, "That We Are to Clear the Air."

Thanks to what happened last night, it is very nearly complete."

"And then?"

"Then I shall return to London. And when the warrant is issued, I shall—come—back."

There was a deathly silence.

The fellow turned round and made his way to a chair. I saw that he went heavily, as a man that is tired.

After a little he spoke.

"Why do you tell me these things?"

I took over the note he had written and held it up.

"Because of this letter. It seems that one of your people saw me leaving the Lady Elizabeth's suite. I had to convince you, therefore, that I was there on duty—and nothing else."

He let out a laugh at that, and the blood came into my face.

"If you doubt me," I said, "I can prove it. I'd a man outside here the door the whole of the time."

Beside this, my other blows were so many flicks on the face. Before my eyes, Lord Ferdinand seemed to shrink; and he took a step back and then sideways, and put out a hand to find something on which he could lean.

"Listen to me," said I. He lifted his head. "Following your brother's directions, I found the way to the chamber eight hours ago. I took his daughter with me; and now she knows for herself the secret of Brief. Both of us, therefore, can swear that we have seen with

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Smithsonian Aid Uncovers Traces of An Ancient Race of Indian Brewers

A prehistoric race of Indians who were the longest-headed people ever known on earth may also have been among the heaviest drinkers, according to discoveries in the Big Bend country of west Texas announced by the Smithsonian Institution.

A tremendous cave hewed out of a limestone cliff and apparently used as a ceremonial brewery was excavated near Dryden, Texas, by Frank M. Setzer, head curator of the institution's department of anthropology.

While searching for dwelling sites of this mysterious people whose existence he discovered only seven years ago, Setzer located a cave, 60 feet wide by 40 feet deep, that gave evidence of extensive cooking operations.

Setzer and his assistants dug through nine feet of debris, uncovering arrowheads, scrapers, drills and stone knives, but a relative scarcity of the usual cooked animal bones and human skeletons. (The caves ordinarily were both dwelling and burial places.)

The fellow's head stopped shaking, and a hand went up to his mouth.

Lord Ferdinand's head was shaking.

As he felt for his chair—

"I swear that I didn't. I swear—"

"You needn't worry. You won't be accused of that. But that isn't nearly all. I didn't go just to see Elsa: I wanted to see your niece. For one thing, I wanted to speak of her mother's jewels."

The fellow's head stopped shaking, and a hand went up to his mouth.

In front of the cave was an abnormally large accumulation of

cooking stones. Furthermore, there were great deposits of ashes of soot, the lily from which a highly potent alcoholic beverage was brewed.

In addition to the lack of animal bones and human skeletons—indicating that the cave was not used to house a family group—and the abundance of cooking stones and soot ashes, evidence that the cave was a brewery came from a boulder with a hole drilled in it. The boulder may have been used as a brewing kettle.

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Daintiness in Women Wins Men's Favor

By PATRICIA LINDSAY

Men loathe careless grooming. In fact I think that men are inclined to be more fastidious about us than we are about ourselves! That statement will probably bring an avalanche of mail contradicting me. Well anyway, men do like us sweet-smelling, tidy in our dress and noticeable well-groomed.

It isn't too easy to keep fresh as a flower, or crisp looking as a lettuce leaf. It takes special little rituals. We must bathe more frequently.

Though I heard no sound, I saw his lips frame the words.

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Niles Notes**MUSIC GROUP MEETS**

A meeting of the board of governors and heads of committees of the Southern Alameda County Music Association was held at the Belvoir Hotel at dinner last night. Plans for the coming year were discussed.

FIRE AT NURSERY

A small fire in the garage at the California Nursery Company was extinguished early one morning this week before damage had been done. Origin of the blaze is not known.

VISITOR FROM CAMPBELL

Mrs. J. E. Townsend of Campbell, formerly of Niles, was in town Tuesday for the funeral of Mrs. A. A. Hatch.

FORMER RESIDENT AT SERVICES

Mrs. Rutherford, wife of the former station agent at Niles, was among the out of town friends at services for Mrs. A. A. Hatch.

OAKLAND VISITOR AT NILES

Mrs. Maude Sneden of Oakland was in Niles on Tuesday.

ATTEND HOSPITAL LUNCHEON

Mrs. James R. Whipple, chairman of Toyon Branch of the Children's Hospital, and the following members attended the annual luncheon of the hospital in Oakland Monday: Mrs. W. H. Ford, Miss Mildred Nauert, Mrs. Walter Robie, Mrs. August May, Mrs. J. C. Shinn, Mrs. Lawrence Bunting and Mrs. W. W. Briggs. Mrs. E. D. Bristow represented the Berries.

WILL BE ON RADIO

Johnny Williamson and Ray Foster of Hayward accompanied W. T. Lindsay to Diamond Camp Saturday to make arrangements for the Bicycle Safety radio broadcast over Station KLX this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The boys will take part in a Prof. Quiz program.

PURCHASE NEW CAR

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Petsche entertained 16 friends at dinner and cards last Saturday night.

WILL GIVE DINNER PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ellsworth will entertain friends at dinner at their home tomorrow night.

OAKLAND VISITORS IN NILES

The Niles Rotary Club met with the San Leandro Rotary Club on

Barbecue and Stuff to Feature Formal Opening of Handsome New Service Station and Tavern

NILES—Friends of the Solon Brothers new Associated Service Station and Tavern will congratulate them upon the opening of their new \$8500 establishment on First Street at a barbecue tomorrow night.

The new business is Niles' newest mark of progress and added proof that moving of the main highway from First street a block east did nothing to damage local business.

Leon and Cyrus Solon, natives of Mission San Jose and residents of the township all their lives, have operated a service station across the street from their new establishment for the past seven years. They have made scores of friends throughout this vicinity who are felicitating them upon their new venture.

The service station is equipped for all kinds of car service, including greasing. A full line of Firestone tires, Associated Gas and accessories is carried. The station includes an accessory room and service room.

The tavern, adjoining, is an attractive room fitted with bar and space for dancing. Venetian blinds, knotty pine walls, asbestos tile floor and the latest equipment in refrigeration furnish a pleasant place to stop for drinks, coffee and sandwiches. Behind the main room is a private dining room which will seat 30 for private parties and in the basement is a rumpus room which will accommodate 50. A spotless kitchen with modern equipment is used for

Tuesday in joint session with the San Leandro Kiwanis and Lions Clubs. Only a round-table discussion was scheduled for the local club at the Hotel Belvoir this week.

SPENDS WEEKEND WITH PARENTS

Miss Anna Millicent Shinn, U. C. student at Berkeley, spent the weekend with her parents in Niles.

ATTENDS PRESIDENT'S BALL IN OAKLAND

Postmaster Ed Enos was among those from the township who attended the President's Ball in Oakland last week.

P. T. A. BOARD HAS MEETING

Mrs. Reginald Calhoun, president, presided at a meeting of the board of directors of the Niles P. T. A. at the school Thursday of last week.

ENTERTAINS WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Margaret Williamson entertained 30 high school friends at a dinner dance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shinn last Saturday night in celebration of her 16th birthday. Assisting in receiving were Mr. and Mrs. Shinn, Mr. and Mrs. George Sla- dek, Mrs. Jack Whipple, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Solinsky and Mrs. G. Williamson.

AT BRIDGE LUNCHEON

Mrs. E. C. Grau and Mrs. Bob Tyson attended a bridge luncheon Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Taaffe in Redwood City.

TAKES POSITION IN SAN LUIS OBISPO

James Silva, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Silva and a graduate of Washington Union High School and the Merritt Business College of Oakland, has accepted a position with the Bank of America at San Luis Obispo and will make his home there.

CUB COMMITTEE WILL MEET

Cubmaster Dick Attinger and the cub committee will meet at breakfast at the Boy Scout House Sunday morning. Frank Silva will be chef and others to attend will be Reginald Calhoun, Harold Houghton, George C. Roeding, Serafin Lucas, Leon Vieux, Loren Mohn and J. Andrade.

SCOUT COMMITTEE WILL MEET

The Boy Scout committee of Niles will meet at the Boy Scout house next Monday night. Lewis Lewis, chairman, will have charge.

ENDEAVOR HOLDS BUSINESS SESSION

NEWARK—Young people of the township Christian Endeavor met at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Ver-

non Brown Saturday night under the leadership of Leo Brown. Refreshments were served following the business meeting.

Predicts China To Win From Japan In Present Struggle

NILES—A. E. Manell, staff member of International House at Berkeley, was the speaker at a recent meeting of the Niles Rotary Club. He discussed the situation in China and Japan.

According to opinions he has formed from talking to other members of International House and from news sources, Manell thinks that China will eventually win the war within from two to 15 years. Considering the age of China, however, 15 years does not seem a long time.

To be successful, however, Manell suggests that the Chinese will have to maintain their present solidarity and will have to maintain their supply channels by keeping on friendly terms with Russia, England and France. Supplies come via truck and airplanes from Russia, from England through Burma and from France through French Indo-China.

Contrary to popular opinion, the Japanese now control only the big cities and the railroads, Manell said. They have pushed 2500 miles inland but have the expense of keeping up this line of communication. The guerrilla warfare now going on is particularly hard to combat as invading Japanese soldiers have to contend with millions of "partisans" as the common people in China are termed, who raise rice to feed the invaders with one hand and with the other tear up Japanese railroads.

Visitors at the meeting included Judge Jacob Harder, Harry Fickert, Frank Kruse of Hayward, Principal A. J. Rathbone and the following students from the Washington Union High School: George Mathiesen, president of the Student Body; John Dusterberry, editor of The Hatchet and Mary Virginia Bristow, editor of the Washingtonian.

According to a new policy adopted by the Rotary Club, representatives of the high school student body will attend each meeting, states Dr. T. C. Wilson, president.

WILL AWARD LIFE MEMBERSHIP AT P. T. A. FOUNDERS DAY

NILES—A life membership will be presented to one of the members of the Niles Parent Teachers Association at the Founders Day program to be given at the school next Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

Past presidents will be guests of honor and all former members are invited, a special invitation being extended to the fathers. The program will include the candle lighting ceremony and entertainment.

A social hour will follow the meeting and refreshments will be served. Arrangements are being made by Mrs. Reginald Calhoun, president, and the following Sixth Grade mothers: Mrs. Francis Burk, Mrs. Lillian Griffith, Mrs. Dick Attinger, Mrs. George, Mrs. Costa, Mrs. Virgil Young, Mrs. Harvey Braun, Mrs. J. A. Mac-

Donald, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Frank Silva and Mrs. Villa Dias.

THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF THE EAST BAY

By Ellen Power
Present Children's Hospital

The interior of the Children's Hospital is very well laid out. On the first floor about 35 children are accommodated in the clinic. It has 17 departments such as the medical, eye, ear, nose and throat, orthopedic and psychiatric departments. Also on this floor the children are vaccinated and given diphtheria inoculations.

There is a dental office, well equipped for children. In addition, a valuable department is the physiotherapy room, equipped for light treatments, training in posture, and here children's injured muscles are brought back into use.

Before any child is admitted to the hospital he is given a complete physical examination and always there is a fine specialist on hand to be called in to make a diagnosis. In charge of the clinic department is the social worker who arranges that fees for hospitalization be paid according to the parents' means. By investigating the background of the child, the social worker acts in the best interests of the child's family.

All children up to 14 are admitted into the hospital regardless of their financial status. They may have their own bedrooms or may have the same facilities and equipment in the wards. There are fine operating rooms with excellent equipment, a laboratory where a technician is on duty to

make an analysis of specimens, incubators, oxygen tents, croup tents and a respirator. Trained men and women are always ready to be called on duty.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES ARE ENTERTAINED

CENTERVILLE—Approximately 100 trustees of Alameda County and guests attended a recent dinner meeting at the Washington Union High School with Supt. Edgar Muller in charge. A meeting of the Trustees Association followed with Herbert Harbold, president, presiding.

Speakers included Dr. I. O. Church, county health officer, Dr. Irving Melbo, director of curriculum and Harry Seidell of the superintendent's office.

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